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**DAVID ORR
COUNTY CLERK**

Board met pursuant to law and pursuant to Resolution 18-0624.

OFFICIAL RECORD

President Preckwinkle in the chair.

CALL TO ORDER

At 9:00 A.M., being the hour appointed for the meeting, the President called the Board to order.

QUORUM

County Clerk David Orr called the roll of members and there was found to be a quorum present.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Commissioners Boykin, Daley, Deer, Fritchey, Gainer, Moody, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (12)

Absent: Commissioners Arroyo, Butler, García, Goslin, and Tobolski (5)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Pursuant to Cook County Code of Ordinances, public testimony will be permitted at regular and special meetings of the Board. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon at this time to deliver testimony germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three (3) minutes. The names of duly authorized speakers shall be published in the Post Board Action Agenda and Journal of Proceedings as prepared by the Clerk of the Board.

There were no public speakers.

CONSENT CALENDAR

**18-1431
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY,
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**PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING THE LIFE OF CLAUDELL ERVIN

WHEREAS, on August 8, 1943 Claudell Ervin was born in Jackson, Mississippi to Claude and Geneva Ervin; and

WHEREAS, Commander Ervin married the love of his life, Thelma Johnson and was the father to two (2) children, Jason Claude Ervin and Michele Ervin-Bussie; and

WHEREAS, Commander Ervin was baptized at an early age at Mandell United Methodist Church, later joined New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church where he eventually served as the Chairman of the Board of Directors, and finally joined Third Baptist Church of Chicago under the leadership of Dr. Alan V. Ragland; and

WHEREAS, Commander Ervin was educated in Chicago Public Schools, attending Roswell B. Mason Elementary and David G. Farragut High School, where he excelled in athletics and received a scholarship to Central College in Pella, Iowa and later earned a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Chicago State University; and

WHEREAS, Commander Ervin began his career with the Chicago Police Department in 1968, having served 13 years as a patrolman with various assignments which included the 15th, 21st and 22nd Districts; and

WHEREAS, in 1991 Commander Ervin was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and assigned as the Commanding Officer for the Police Training Academy's Operations Section, then in 1996, he was promoted to Commander of the Area 1 Detective Division and later that year returned to his roots as Commander of the 11th District on the Westside of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, in February 2000, after 32 years of service, Commander Ervin retired from the Chicago Police Department and throughout his retirement he remained committed to the City of Chicago, neighborhood residents and displayed a special commitment to uplifting young people; and

WHEREAS, after his retirement from the Chicago Police Department, Commander Ervin returned to public service to serve as the Chief of Police for the Village of Hazel Crest Police Department until 2008; and

WHEREAS, Commander Ervin has demonstrated an impeccably impressive commitment to our community through his professional and civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, December 19, 2017, Commander Ervin completed his course of service and made his transition from this earth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that we recognize Commander Claudell Ervin for his lifelong commitment to service and the sincere

appreciation of the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners is extended to Commander Claudell Ervin and his family for his service as an esteemed husband, father, law enforcement professional and community leader.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1435
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE JOHN P. DALEY, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, DENNIS DEER,
JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN,
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LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

LEWIS MANILOW, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Lewis Manilow from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Manilow was the loving husband of Susan (nee Rosenberg); and

WHEREAS, Lewis Manilow was the dear father of Karen, David (Mary Kenney) and John (Lynn); and

WHEREAS, Lewis Manilow was the devoted stepfather of Edwin (Jennifer Schulze) Eisendrath and John (Jennifer Levin) Eisendrath; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Manilow was adored grandfather of 15 grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Manilow grew up on Chicago's North Side and graduated from Senn High School; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Manilow earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois and a law degree from Harvard Law School in 1951; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Manilow worked as a Cook County assistant state's attorney at the start of his career and in 1956 was part of a group that launched a small resident theater company at the Studebaker Theatre in the Fine Arts; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Manilow began a private law practice centering on development work; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Manilow focused on philanthropic, civic and political endeavors and was one of the founding sponsors of Chicago's Museum of Contemporary Art and served as the Museum Board's President from 1976 until 1981; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Manilow was an active advocate of the Chicago theater scene and was one of the first to propose a "theater row" in the North Loop as a way to reinvigorate the neighborhood. He co-chaired a capital campaign committee that successfully allowed the Goodman Theatre to leave its longtime home at the Art Institute of Chicago and move to a newly constructed complex on Dearborn in the Loop; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Manilow was a lifetime trustee of the Art Institute of Chicago, a member of the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, and served on the boards of the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, the Progressive Policy Institute, the Visiting Committee of the University of Chicago's Harris School of Public Policy, and the Executive Committee of the Chicago Community Trust; and

WHEREAS, Lewis Manilow was awarded the National Medal of Arts by President Bill Clinton in 2000; and

WHEREAS, all who knew him will attest that Lewis Manilow was a kind and compassionate man, virtuous of character and gentle in spirit, admired and respected by his many friends and neighbors, and dearly loved by his family.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and many friends of Lewis Manilow, and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of same be tendered to the family of Lewis Manilow, that his memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1479
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE BRIDGET GAINER, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
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HONORING THE ‘TIME’S UP’ MOVEMENT

WHEREAS, TIME’S UP launched on January 1, 2018 as a unified call for change from women in entertainment for women everywhere. From movie sets to farm fields to legislatures alike, TIME’S UP envisions nationwide leadership that reflects the world in which we live; and

WHEREAS, TIME’S UP stands with all those who have endured sexual harassment: those who have come forward and those who have decided to remain quiet; and

WHEREAS, powered by women, TIME’S UP addresses the systemic inequality and injustice in the workplace that have kept underrepresented groups from reaching their full potential; and

WHEREAS, sexual harassment is pervasive across industries, but especially in low-wage service jobs. For example, more than 25% of sexual harassment charges filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) in the last decade came from industries with service-sector workers; and

WHEREAS, TIME’S UP partners with leading advocates for equality and safety to improve laws, employment agreements, and corporate policies; help change the face of corporate boardrooms and the C-suite; and enable more women and men to access our legal system to hold wrongdoers accountable; and

WHEREAS, TIME’S UP Legal Defense Fund provides subsidized legal support to women and men who have experienced sexual harassment, assault, or abuse in the workplace and while in pursuit of their careers; and

WHEREAS, the time is up for silence; and

WHEREAS, the time is up for waiting; and

WHEREAS, the time is up for tolerance for discrimination, harassment or abuse.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners salutes the women who founded TIME’S UP and that Cook County recognizes the importance of ending sexual assault, harassment and inequality in the workplace.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1482
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE BRIDGET GAINER, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
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HONORING UPTOWN'S CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY OUTREACH

WHEREAS, Cornerstone Community Outreach (CCO) is an Illinois not-for-profit organization, founded in 1989, to raise the quality of life for low-income residents in the uptown area of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, since its founding, CCO has welcomed Chicago's homeless residents to provide shelter to families, single women and single men by providing a safe place for residents to recover from the streets and to move toward permanent housing and self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, CCO's programs serve nearly 500 men, women and children daily and with Cornerstone's help these families and individuals can begin to build a new life, one step at a time; and

WHEREAS, many neighbors come to CCO with very little clothing for themselves and their children, therefore CCO allows neighbors and shelter residents to shop for essential clothing and household items at their Free Store; and

WHEREAS, CCO's Dinner Guest Program serves a free nutritious meal to 100-150 of their low-income neighbors every Saturday to allow individuals to fellowship and create community together; and

WHEREAS, CCO offers mental health counseling and on-site nursing visits to meet the physical- and mental-health needs of its residents; and

WHEREAS, parenting, life-skills, and computer classes are provided through CCO and give a safe place to share life experiences, gain new tools to rebuild their lives, allow residents to create resumes, improve typing skills, and explore the internet for employment and housing opportunities; and

WHEREAS, CCO residents ages 5-12 attend the after-school program three afternoons a week which offers tutoring, educational encouragement and a safe, fun environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners commends Cornerstone Community Outreach for the work it does for Chicagoland residents and to make Uptown and its surrounding communities a more healthy and productive place to live.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1484
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE BRIDGET GAINER, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
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HONORING THE WOMEN'S MARCH TO THE POLLS

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2017, over 250,000 women and allies showed up to the Women's March in Chicago to raise their voices for issues each of us hold dear which embodied the ongoing fight for women's rights; and

WHEREAS, to mark its one-year anniversary, on January 20, 2018, women and allies will come together in downtown Chicago to celebrate the spirit of the resistance efforts over the past year and unite to focus on the 2018 elections and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the fight for women's rights through political engagement continues and the march will also serve as a kick-off for programming that empowers voters to support women's rights and social justice; and

WHEREAS, Women's March on Chicago brings together women and allies in support of women's rights including equal rights, equal pay, reproductive justice, affordable healthcare, affordable childcare, racial justice, voting rights, freedom from violence, LGBTQ+ rights, immigrant rights, fair wages, access for persons with disabilities, environmental protection, and other critical areas of focus.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Cook County Board of Commissioners honors the organizers of the Women's March to the polls and the individuals that have stood up for women's rights in Cook County.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1485
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE BRIDGET GAINER, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
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**HONORING EQUALITY ILLINOIS' ANNUAL GALA,
THE MIDWEST'S LARGEST LGBT FORMAL CELEBRATION**

WHEREAS, Equality Illinois was founded in 1991 as the Illinois Federation for Human Rights to secure, protect and defend the basic civil rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning (LGBTQ) Illinoisans; and

WHEREAS, the name was changed to Equality Illinois in 2000, and the organization has grown to become the state's oldest and largest LGBTQ equality organization; and

WHEREAS, Equality Illinois envisions a fair and unified Illinois where everyone is treated with dignity and respect and where all people live freely regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity or gender expression; and

WHEREAS, in 2000, Equality Illinois created the Equality Illinois Education Project, their 501(c)(3) arm, to focus on the educational and charitable aspects of the mission; and

WHEREAS, the name of the 501(c)(3) was changed to Equality Illinois Institute in 2016 to better reflect our role engaging and educating the public, government and private establishments about equality; and

WHEREAS, the non-partisan Equality Illinois Political Action Committee was formed to promote candidates for public office who will advocate for and support legislation that advances full equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, each year Equality Illinois hosts a gala to benefit the ongoing LGBTQ civil rights work of Equality Illinois; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2018 more than 1,200 LGBTQ Illinoisans and allies are expected to gather for the Equality Illinois 2018 Gala and the Midwest's largest LGBTQ formal celebration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners commends the work of Equality Illinois for the LGBTQ community of Cook County and wishes it success with its 2018 Gala.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1338
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,
JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER,
EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
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LARRY SUFFREDIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

NATIONAL REBUILDING TOGETHER DAY 2018

WHEREAS, Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago, a volunteer organization preserving and revitalizing low-income homes and communities, repaired its first home in suburban Cook County in 1992, and has since rehabilitated more than 1,600 homes, as well as assisted in the development of essential community centers and gardens; and

WHEREAS, Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago is part of a national nonprofit program, which sponsors National Rebuilding Day across the country on the last Saturday in April; and

WHEREAS, every year Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago selects two neighborhoods in Cook County in which to provide home repair for elderly, disabled, or low income individuals; and

WHEREAS, this year on Saturday, April 28th, low income homeowners will receive much needed aid as part of National Rebuilding Day 2018; and

WHEREAS, more than 3,100 volunteers annually, including Cook County employees, donate their time and talents to plan and complete hundreds of free home repairs for residents in Cook County through Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago's volunteer teams; and

WHEREAS, this year's event will take place in the Chicago neighborhoods of North Lawndale and Garfield Park and in the suburb of Bellwood; and

WHEREAS, repairs focus on keeping homeowners "warm, safe and dry" and also improve access for low-income seniors, veterans and people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago is an example of Cook County and other local governments working in partnership with private corporations to assist residents and communities in need.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, do hereby recognize and express Cook County's sincere gratitude to Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago and its participating companies, as we work together to restore homes to a warm, safe, and dry condition; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that various departments, including but not limited to the Bureau of Economic Development, Bureau of Administration, and the Bureau of Asset Management continue to work annually with Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago to determine project scope for the Cook County sponsored projects and coordinate volunteers annually for National Rebuilding Day; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bureau of Economic Development, Bureau of Administration, and Bureau of Asset Management be recognized for their ongoing efforts in determining Cook County's annual project scope and determining repairs that will be conducted by Cook County employee volunteers on National Rebuilding Day; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners acknowledge April 28, 2018 as National Rebuilding Day in Cook County, and in turn, help to preserve the foundations of our neighborhoods; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago in acknowledgment of its past accomplishments and to a successful upcoming rebuilding day.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1502
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,
JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER,
EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS AND
LARRY SUFFREDIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING FOUR HEROIC U.S. ARMY CHAPLAINS

WHEREAS, February 4, 2018 marks the 75th anniversary of the sinking of the U.S.A.T. Dorchester; and

WHEREAS, on that day in 1943 while transporting soldiers overseas over the North Atlantic the U.S.A.T. Dorchester was struck by a torpedo which knocked out the ship's electrical system, leaving the ship dark which created panic among the men aboard, many of them trapped below deck. It is what happened during these crucial 20 minutes before the ship sank, the reason we remember this day; and

WHEREAS, in a final act of valor and courage, four United States Army first lieutenant chaplains Methodist Reverend George L. Fox, Roman Catholic Priest John P. Washington, Jewish Rabbi Alexander D. Goode, Dutch Reformed Faiths Reverend Clark V. Poling calmed the men and organized an orderly evacuation of the ship; and

WHEREAS, as they helped guide wounded men to safety into life boats and as life jackets were passed out to the men, the supply ran out. The chaplains removed their own life jackets and gave them to others. They then linked arms while praying and went down with the ship as it sank into the cold waters of the North Atlantic; and

WHEREAS, every year hence, citizens across our country have remembered the courage and extraordinary display of bravery from these four heroic men of faith; and

WHEREAS, this year's memorial program is hosted by the Jewish War Veterans and is sponsored annually by the Combined Veterans Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Toni Preckwinkle, President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, do hereby designate Sunday, February 4, 2018, Four Chaplains Sunday in Cook County, in honor to preserve the memory of these individuals who demonstrated the ultimate supreme sacrifice at sea.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1510
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE RICHARD R. BOYKIN, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY,
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JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HONORING CHRIST THE KING JESUIT COLLEGE PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL
ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR 10TH ANNIVERSARY**

WHEREAS, Christ the King Jesuit College Preparatory High School, located at 5088 West Jackson Boulevard in Chicago, Illinois, began their mission in August of 2008 with just 120 freshman; and

WHEREAS, Christ the King Jesuit College Preparatory High School is a part of the Cristo Rey Network which is a non-for-profit organization founded in 2000 to prepare youth from low-income families for post-secondary educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, with the Cristo Rey program students are able to earn three-quarters of their tuition costs while gaining beneficial, experience and life changing skills through jobs at Chicago area companies; and

WHEREAS, the Cristo Rey program was chartered in 1996 and since then it has grown to 32 schools across 21 states nationwide. Christ the King Jesuit College Preparatory High School was the 20th Cristo Rey model school to open in the United States; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Mrs. Temple Payne as Principal and Mr. Clement Martin as President, Christ the King Jesuit College Preparatory High School's students have amazing results in academic success and in preparing them with the temerity to lead; and

WHEREAS, Christ the King implements a curriculum that is challenging yet rewarding that prepares their students to excel in the class, and in life; and

WHEREAS, Christ the King's leadership team's focus and vision is to promote a Christian/Catholic education to help their students to successfully enroll into good universities and colleges; and

WHEREAS, Christ the King boasts a 97.8% college enrollment rate for their graduates, demonstrating their students level of preparedness and focus; and

WHEREAS, Christ the King Jesuit College Preparatory High School is setting an incredible example which enables their students to reach their potential, while leading lives of integrity, faith, and with commitment to their community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners to recognize Christ the King Jesuit College Preparatory High School on the occasion of celebrating their 10th anniversary and the sincere appreciation of the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners is extended to Christ the King Jesuit College Preparatory High School for their service to the youth of Chicago and to the wider community. College Preparatory High School for their service to the youth of Chicago and to the wider community.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1523
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE JOHN P. DALEY, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, DENNIS DEER,
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AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**RECOGNIZING TUESDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2018 AS FOOD CHECKOUT DAY
AND SALUTING THE EFFORTS OF THE COOK COUNTY FARM BUREAU
AND THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES OF
CHICAGOLAND AND NORTHWEST INDIANA**

WHEREAS, Food Checkout Day was established in the mid-1990's to recognize the connection between farmers and the safe, nutritious food source they cooperatively grow; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Farm Bureau has celebrated Food Checkout Day by raising cash and food donations for Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana (RMHC®-CNI) since 2001; and

WHEREAS, Food Checkout Day will be celebrated at all Chicagoland Ronald McDonald House locations, including the Ronald McDonald House near Advocate, the Ronald McDonald House near Lurie's Children, the Ronald McDonald House near Loyola University Medical Center, and the Ronald McDonald House near UChicago Medicine Comer Children's Hospital; and

WHEREAS, since 2001 Cook County Farm Bureau members have donated over 930 hours; over 92,800 pounds of food; contributed over \$133,700 in cash donations; and over 2,900 pounds of pop tabs to support Chicagoland's five Ronald McDonald Houses; and

WHEREAS, Cook County Farm Bureau families and partners have donated enough food to feed over 100,800 families;

WHEREAS, RMHC-CNI continues to care for families of children with complex medical issues by providing a "home away from home" to keep families together while their child is receiving medical treatment far from home; and

WHEREAS, every night, 153 families heal together because of the comfort, compassion, and community at the five Ronald McDonald Houses and three Ronald McDonald House family rooms; and

WHEREAS, Food Checkout Day recognizes the connection between farmers and the healthy and nutritious food they grow and care for; and

WHEREAS, the over 47,000 members of the Cook County Farm Bureau including 1,000 farmer members recognize the importance of producing a safe and nutritious food using environmentally sustainable practices; and

WHEREAS, Cook County farmers recognize the need for better access to fresh food throughout Cook County; and

WHEREAS, despite cash and non-perishable donations there is increased need at all five of RMHC-CNI Cook County houses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners recognize Tuesday, February 6, 2018 as Food Checkout Day and salute the efforts of the Cook County Farm Bureau and the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana for their efforts to feed those individuals and families in need; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy be tendered to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana and the Cook County Farm Bureau for their efforts to feed those individuals and families in need.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1524
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

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AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

ELENORE PERMINAS, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has called Elenore Perminas from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Elenore Perminas was the loving wife of the late Paul; and

WHEREAS, Elenore Perminas was the dear mother of Aaron (Deborah), David (Nadine) and Paul (George) Savarese; and

WHEREAS, Elenore Perminas was adored grandmother of Asher (Shannon), Molly (Seth), Dana (Pat), Carly (Dan) Julie (John), Mallory (Michael), Elliot and Page; and

WHEREAS, Elenore Perminas was the cherished great-grandmother “GG” of Scarlett and Violet; and

WHEREAS, Elenore Perminas was the devoted daughter of the late Alois and Terez Macejak; and

WHEREAS, Elenore Perminas was the dear sister of the late John, Albert, Edward, James, Ann and Robert Macejak and fond sister-in-law of Mickey Kowalsky; and

WHEREAS, Elenore Perminas was a loving aunt and cherished friend and acquaintance to many, especially the neighbors on 38th and Lowe Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Elenore Perminas was a dedicated and devoted parishioner of the Nativity of Our Lord Parish.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Cook County that the Board does hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family and many friends of Elenore Perminas, and joins them in sorrow at this time of loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of same be tendered to the family of Elenore Perminas, that her memory may be so honored and ever cherished.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1537
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE JOHN P. DALEY, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE,
LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, DENNIS DEER,
JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN,**

**EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON,
TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN
AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**IN REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE FIREFIGHTERS AND CIVILIANS
WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE FIRE AT THE
MICKELBERRY FOOD PRODUCTS COMPANY ON FEBRUARY 7, 1968**

WHEREAS, in the devastating fire and explosion on February 7, 1968 at the packing plant of Mickelberry's Food Products Company, 801 West 49th Place, four (4) members of the Chicago Fire Department and five (5) civilians lost their lives and 79 persons were injured including 18 firemen; and

WHEREAS, the four (4) deceased firemen were among seven (7) who boarded Hook and Ladder Truck No. 18 of the 11th Battalion, 4th Division, in the firehouse at 5000 South Union Avenue on Wednesday evening to go to the fire, which brought out nearly 300 firemen and 50 pieces of equipment in response to a 5-11 alarm; and

WHEREAS, Truck No. 18 and Engine Company No. 59 were the first to arrive at the scene. They had raised ladders to rescue employees trapped on the rooftop when a terrific explosion virtually leveled the building, scattering debris in all directions; and

WHEREAS, Mickelberry's President, Roy L. Laidley, died a hero as he rushed back into the burning building just before the explosion in an effort to rescue Thomas J. Mongan, the firm's secretary, who was handicapped by a leg ailment; and

WHEREAS, the four (4) brave fireman did not die in vain. On the 50th anniversary of this event the residents of Cook County are ever grateful for their heroic bravery. Without thought of self these firemen chose their careers with full knowledge that their service might at any moment demand the supreme sacrifice to protect the lives of others; and

WHEREAS, this tragic event served to impress all of us with a deeper appreciation of the valor of our local firefighters who are always prepared to face dangerous hazards to protect the citizens of our County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County does hereby express our deep appreciation for the ultimate sacrifice made by Captain John J. Fischer, Firefighter First Class Thomas J. Collins, Firefighter First Class Edward Leifker and Firefighter Third Class Charles D. Bottger on February 7, 1968 in service to the Chicago Fire Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the Official Proceedings of this Honorable Body so that this tragic event and the loss of these lives shall never be forgotten.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1539
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,
JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER,
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TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS AND
LARRY SUFFREDIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® (AKA) originated January 15, 1908 from the vision of nine (9) African-American college students on the campus of Howard University; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Alpha Kappa Alpha is founded on five (5) basic tenets that have remained unchanged since the sorority's inception more than a century ago: to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards, to promote unity and friendship among college women, to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women in order to improve their social stature, to maintain a progressive interest in college life, and to be of "Service to All Mankind"; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha was incorporated on January 29, 1913, which facilitated the growth of an international service organization that now consists of 1,012 chapters, including many active chapters within Cook County, and nearly 300,000 members -- instantly recognizable by their pink and green attire; and

WHEREAS, for 110 years, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® has committed itself to the ideals of sisterhood, scholarship and service in communities around the globe; and

WHEREAS, from January 11 to January 15, 2018, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® will converge in Washington, DC for an anniversary weekend themed Celebrating Our Legacy of Service and Sisterhood: Eleven Decades of Supreme Service to All Mankind; and

WHEREAS, the celebration will include a pilgrimage to Howard University, community service activities throughout the Washington metropolitan area, historical remembrance and sisterly bonding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, honor Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® on their Chicago and Illinois celebration of National Founders Day on January 15, 2018.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1540
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,
JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER,
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LARRY SUFFREDIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING SIMON WIESENTHAL CENTER MIDWEST OFFICE

WHEREAS, the Simon Wiesenthal Center Midwest Office plays a leadership role in the efforts to fight hate crimes, discrimination, bigotry and intolerance against all communities locally; and

WHEREAS, the Simon Wiesenthal Center Midwest Office was inspired by the work of Holocaust survivor Simon Wiesenthal, who made it his life's mission to hold Nazis accountable for their crimes after World War II; and

WHEREAS, the Simon Wiesenthal Center Midwest Office seeks partnerships with local organizations throughout Cook County to further its mission of protecting people of all backgrounds from discrimination; and

WHEREAS, the Simon Wiesenthal Center Midwest Office has played a key role in educating a new generation of residents about the impact of hate and the importance of tolerance locally and globally.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, recognizes the Simon Wiesenthal Center Midwest Office for its work and essential contribution to the health and viability of Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body, and an official copy of same be presented to the Simon Wiesenthal Center Midwest Office.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1541
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,
JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER,
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LARRY SUFFREDIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING MUHAMMAD ALI

WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali (Cassius Clay Jr.) was born on January 17, 1942 in Louisville, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, Cassius Clay burst upon the world scene when he captured a Gold Medal in boxing at the 1960 Olympics in Rome; and

WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali heralded a new era of Black pride when he captured the professional World Heavyweight Championship in 1964 and adopted a new name; and

WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali was staunch opponent of the Vietnam War and risked liberty and livelihood by refusing induction into the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali was granted conscientious objector status by the United States Supreme Court after a lengthy legal battle; and

WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali is “The Greatest” boxer and fighter of all time, as documented in Richard Durham’s biography entitled The Greatest; and

WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali is a poet of peace and a precursor of hip-hop and co-founded the Muhammad Ali Center in Louisville, Kentucky to share his inspiration to all people throughout the world to “Be Great and Do Great Things”; and

WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali passed on June 3, 2016 at the age of 74; and

WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali was a resident of Cook County during his Championship reign.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, recognize January 17, 2018 to be known as Muhammad Ali Service to Others Day in Cook County Illinois; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to Muhammad Ali’s family.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1549
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,
JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER,
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LARRY SUFFREDIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING SUSAN G. KOMEN CHICAGO

WHEREAS, Susan G. Komen Chicago will be celebrating its 20th anniversary in fighting breast cancer in the Chicagoland area; and

WHEREAS, Susan G. Komen Chicago has provided over \$17.4 million to local organizations working to save lives and increase awareness in our communities; and

WHEREAS, Susan G. Komen Chicago has provided over \$5 million to research efforts meant to find a cure for breast cancer and increase the chance of survival; and

WHEREAS, the work of Susan G. Komen nationally and internationally was inspired by a promise made between two sisters who grew up in Illinois, Nancy Brinker and Susan G. Komen; and

WHEREAS; Susan G. Komen Chicago has achieved impressive results working in collaboration with other organizations to reduce the barriers faced by low-income, uninsured and minority women in accessing breast health services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, honors and congratulates Susan G. Komen Chicago and its Board Members, staff and thousands of volunteers for its 20 years of work in fighting breast cancer and for its essential contribution to the health and viability of Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to Susan G. Komen Chicago.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1550
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,
JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER,
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TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS AND
LARRY SUFFREDIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING TRIBHANG

WHEREAS, Tribhang was formed by two (2) courageous women, Shiwali Varshney and Sonali Sinha Srivastava, who understood the power of dance, arts and creative expression in encouraging broader understanding of human rights and women's rights issues; and

WHEREAS, Tribhang has hosted numerous successful, powerful and innovative dance performances bringing human rights and women's rights issues to new audiences of Cook County residents; and

WHEREAS, Tribhang has raised funds to support the critical work of Cook County charities which serve vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, Tribhang has raised awareness on numerous critical issues including human trafficking, challenges facing immigrant communities, gender discrimination and homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Tribhang is helping inspire a new generation of artists and activists to get involved in their community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, recognize Tribhang for its essential contribution to the health and viability of Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to Tribhang.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1558
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,
JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER,
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TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS AND
LARRY SUFFREDIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING HOURVOICE

WHEREAS, HourVoice was created as a first-of-its-kind effort to empower hourly workers with the education and technology they need to succeed in the modern workplace; and

WHEREAS, hourly workers can often be unaware of all the rights they are entitled to at the workplace; and

WHEREAS, education about the issues faced by hourly workers, and the rights they have, is critically important to ensuring that all Cook County residents are respected at the workplace and able to better support their families; and

WHEREAS, HourVoice has worked in diverse Cook County communities to provide education and information to workers and their advocates of all backgrounds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, recognize the importance of HourVoice and its essential contribution to the health and viability of Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to HourVoice.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

**18-1565
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, RICHARD R. BOYKIN,
JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER,
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TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS AND
LARRY SUFFREDIN, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HONORING DR. BAMBADE SHAKOOR- ABDULLAH, IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, Dr. Bambade Shakoor-Abdullah was a Cook County resident who selflessly made extraordinary contributions to improve the quality of civic life, education, social conditions, and health for marginalized citizens; and

WHEREAS, she served for four (4) years as a chaplain and mentor for Class X felons in the Cook County Department of Corrections, and

WHEREAS, she was a pioneer and a leader in efforts to combat the epidemic of violence and violent extremism; and

WHEREAS, these efforts included serving on the Chicago Countering Violent Extremism Planning Committee with the United States Department of Homeland Security and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI); and

WHEREAS, she authored a Resolution and bill that became state legislation allowing the development of Regional Juvenile Justice Councils in the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, she authored the Illinois House Resolution for a Public Health Approach to Faith Based Violence Prevention; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bambade Shakoor-Abdullah founded the Leadership Development Institute D/B/A Chicago Metropolitan Educational Center for Community Advancement, a faith based elementary school in South Suburban Cook County; and

WHEREAS, she partnered with United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Illinois State Board of Election (ISBE) to provide meals to over 1,000 Cook County children a day through Free Meal and Summer Jobs program; and

WHEREAS, she recently conceived and started the Dreams and Visions Youth Outreach Program providing mentoring, life skills and job readiness training, college preparation, drug prevention and rites of passage to youth in South Suburban Cook County; and

WHEREAS, she was appointed by Governor Pat Quinn to the first Governors Muslim American Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, she served as a Director-at-large on the Council of Islamic Organizations of Greater Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bambade Shakoor-Abdullah passed away on December 8, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of Dr. Bambade Shakoor-Abdullah and honor the life and memory of this outstanding Cook County resident by adopting this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body, and a suitable copy of the same be tendered to the immediate family and to the board of Leadership Development Institute, the organization that Dr. Bambade Shakoora-Abdullah founded and served as Executive Director.

Approved and adopted this 9th of January 2018.

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

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A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that the meeting do now adjourn to meet again at the same time and same place on March 13, 2018, in accordance with County Board Resolution 18-0624.

The motion prevailed and the meeting stood adjourned.


